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For : METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SEGMENTING AN  
IMAGE IN ORDER TO LOCATE A PART THEREOF


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**AMENDMENT AFTER NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

SIR:

This paper is filed in response to the non-final Office Action dated  
December 18, 2002. Initially, please amend the above-identified application as set forth  
below.

**In The Claims:**

Please add new claims 38-40, as follows:

--38. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein, in step (a), said nodes and said edges are  
segmented, and wherein, in step (c), said minimum-cut algorithm is implemented on  
said segmented nodes and edges.

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